I... WANT TO LISTEN TO YOUR SINGING.
HEY, ONEE-CHAN
STAGE 6
WELL, THEN...
YEAH, SURE.
WAIT...!
.....?
...! PAPA... MAMA...
WHERE ...?

DON'T...
LEAVE ME.

I SEE, I...
.....
THIS PLACE IS...
.....
DON'T YOU GET IT!?
THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS TIME, PRODUCER...
...LIES WITH YOU!

MANAGING THE HEALTH OF AN IDOL YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF IS THE MOST BASIC OF ALL RESPONSIBILITIES OF A PRODUCER.
...EVEN IF IT WASN'T,
THERE'S STILL THE FACT THAT YOU LOST SIGHT OF CHIHAYA WHO WENT AROUND PLACES FOR THE SAKE OF SING-ING....
HASN'T I... WARNED YOU THAT THIS WOULD HAPPEN BEFORE?
.....
...I HAVE NO EXCUSES
I'M SORRY.
.....
A... ANYWAYS, PLEASE GO BE BY CHIHAYA'S SIDE NOW.
!!
RYUUGUU KOMACHI WILL FILL IN FOR HER SOMEHOW.

...OH
CHIHAYA... YOU WOKE UP!
Thank goodness!
.....
FUU...
APPARENTLY IT WAS A FEVER CAUSED BY ACCUMULATION OF FATIGUE.
YOU SHOULD REST FOR A LITTLE BIT... OR SO IT SEEMS.
AH..
UM...

THE FAN-APRECIATION FESTIVAL... HOW IS IT GOING?
IT'S ALREADY BEGUN... IT SHOULD BE ABOUT HALFWAY THROUGH NOW.
EVERYONE'S DOING THEIR BEST TO FILL IN FOR YOU.
THE SPECTATORS SEEM TO BE REALLY DELIGHTED.
THEY WERE REALLY ENTHUSIASTIC.

I... SEE
THAT'S GREAT...
I'M SORRY, CHIHAYA.
I'VE... FAILED AS A PRODUCER.
PRODUCER, I... WONDER WHAT I'M DOING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS.
I SHOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SING...
...PRODUCER, YOU'RE NOT AT FAULT.
IT WAS ALL...MY FAULT THIS HAPPENED.
.....
!?

THIS IS... HARUKA'S NEW SONG?
UP UNTIL NOW, I WASN'T ABLE TO GRASP AN IMAGE OF IT, BUT
THAT GIRL REALLY IS AN IDOL, ISN'T SHE?
...I WANT
Haa Haa
I WANT TO SING..
...EH?
H... HEY, CHIHAYA!
IF YOU DON'T REST FOR A BIT STILL...

STILL... I...
I WANT TO SING...!
PRO-DUC-ER,
YOU KNOW... ABOUT MY HOUSEHOLD, RIGHT?
AH... YEAH.
Once, from President Takagi... yeah.

OUR FATHER AND MOTHER WOULD ALSO SMILE FROM SEEING US LIKE THAT.
FROM WHEN I WAS LITTLE, MY LITTLE BROTHER... SAID HE LIKED MY SINGING.
THAT WAS A VERY HAPPY TIME... HOWEVER.
EVEN IF HE WAS CRYING... MY SONG WOULD MAKE HIM SMILE.
BY THE TIME I REALIZED IT... I WAS ALREADY ALONE.
THAT HAPPINESS WOULD NOT CONTINUE FOR MUCH LONGER.
BEFORE I KNEW IT MY FAMILY HAD BEEN TORN TO PIECES...
HUH?

AND LIKE THAT... I DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING LEFT BESIDES SINGING.
IF IT WASN'T FOR SINGING... I WOULD...
THAT'S WHY... PLEASE, PRODUCER.
PLEASE DON'T TELL ME THINGS LIKE "REST UP."
PLEASE... LET ME SING!
IF I LET... THINGS END LIKE THIS...
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I WOULD...

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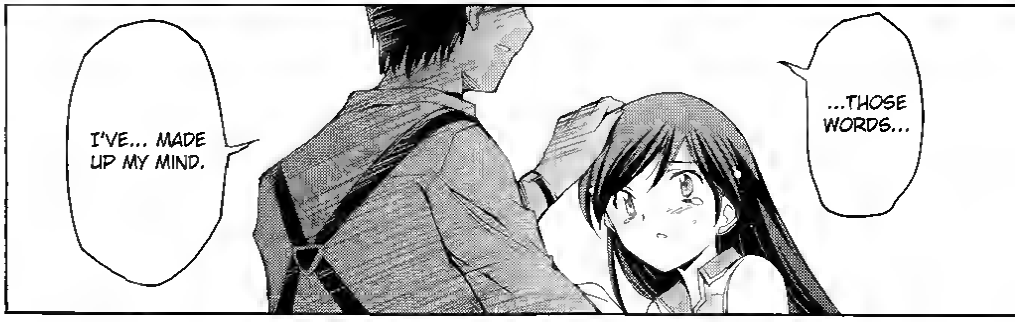
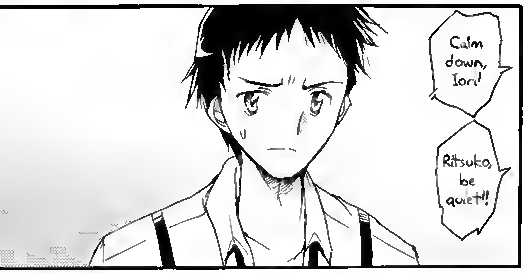
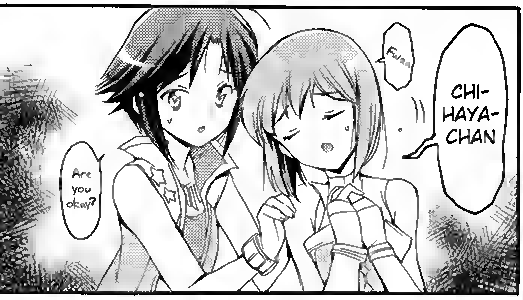

I'VE... MADE UP MY MIND.
...THOSE WORDS...

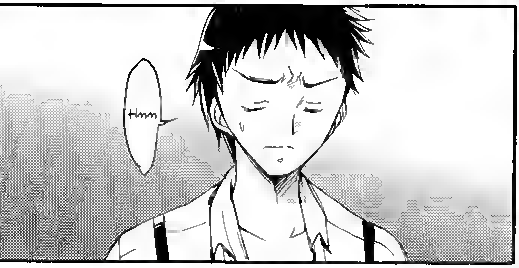
We would like to thank you all... for attending the 765 Pro fan-appreciation event.
And this stage where your warm encouragement envelops us,
Finally, we're down to the last song.
Come to think of it, that Chihaya girl... didn't show up did she?
Well then, last is our, 765 Pro's songstress...

I'M KISARAGI CHIHAYA!
PLEASE LISTEN,
TO MY SONG...!
765プロ
メンバー控え室

CHIHAYA'S GOING TO LONG LENGTHS AND STAGGERING JUST TO STAND!?
CHIHAYA'S GONE ON STAGE... ARE YOU SERIOUS!?
AND TO DO THAT BY HERSELF TO SING ON THE STAGE IS...!


Calm down, Iori!
Ritsuko, be quiet!!


CHI-HAYA-CHAN
Are you okay?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PROTECTING THE IDOL IS THE PRODUCER'S JOB, ISN'T IT?
ARE YOU TRYING TO KILL CHIHAYA!?

...YOU'RE ALL RIGHT.
I WILL TAKE ALL RESPONSI-BILITY FOR THIS...!
THAT'S WHY...
LET HER...
JUST LET HER SING!
.....

...I, TOO,
WANT TO LISTEN TO CHIHAYA-CHAN'S SONG.
ME TOO! AFTER ALL SHE'S GOING THAT FAR TO DO HER BEST!
AN IDOL SHALL PREFER TO PERISH AN HONORABLE DEATH ON STAGE... WOULD IT BE?
Dying would be a problem, though.
I FEEL AS THOUGH I CAN COM-PREHEND THAT.
EVERY-ONE...!

...THIS IS AS FAR AS THE PATH I'VE PREPAIRED FOR YOU WILL TAKE YOU.
AFTER THAT... IT'S YOUR PATH.
GO ON, CHIHAYA...!

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THAT WAS GREAT, CHIHAYA-CHAN!
THIS... IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER BEEN THIS MOVED BY A SONG!
ENCORE! ENCORE!
ENCORE! ENCORE!
ENCORE! ENCRoE!
ENCORE! ENCORE!
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YOU DID WELL.
...AZUSA-SAN
...AND EVERY-ONE...!
SURELY, I THINK...
YOUR SONG REACHED EVERYONE.

THAT TOTALLY REVERBERATED IN MY HEART!!
CHIHAYA-CHAN, THAT WAS BEAUTIFUL!
...I WON'T ACCEPT THIS AS ACCEPTABLE METHODS FOR A PRODUCER, THOUGH.
RITSU-KO...!
AFTER SEEING THE RESOLVE OF YOU TWO, WELL...
Just for today, though, just for today!
I WAS KIND OF REMINDED OF THE PAST ME.
RITSUKO, ARE YOU GOING TO SING TOO...!?

ENCORE!
OUR AUDIENCE IS WAITING ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STAGE!
ENCORE!
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LOOK, LOOK!!
WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO BE CARELESS, YOU KNOW?
WELL, LET'S GO!
EVERYONE IS... WAITING!
...YOU'RE RIGHT. THE LAST SONG IS...
FOR ALL OF US TOGETHER!

I WONDER WHY I'M CLEANING UP THE STAGE...
Fuu
I'm just a producer after all
Well I did cause everyone problems after
PRO-DUCER!

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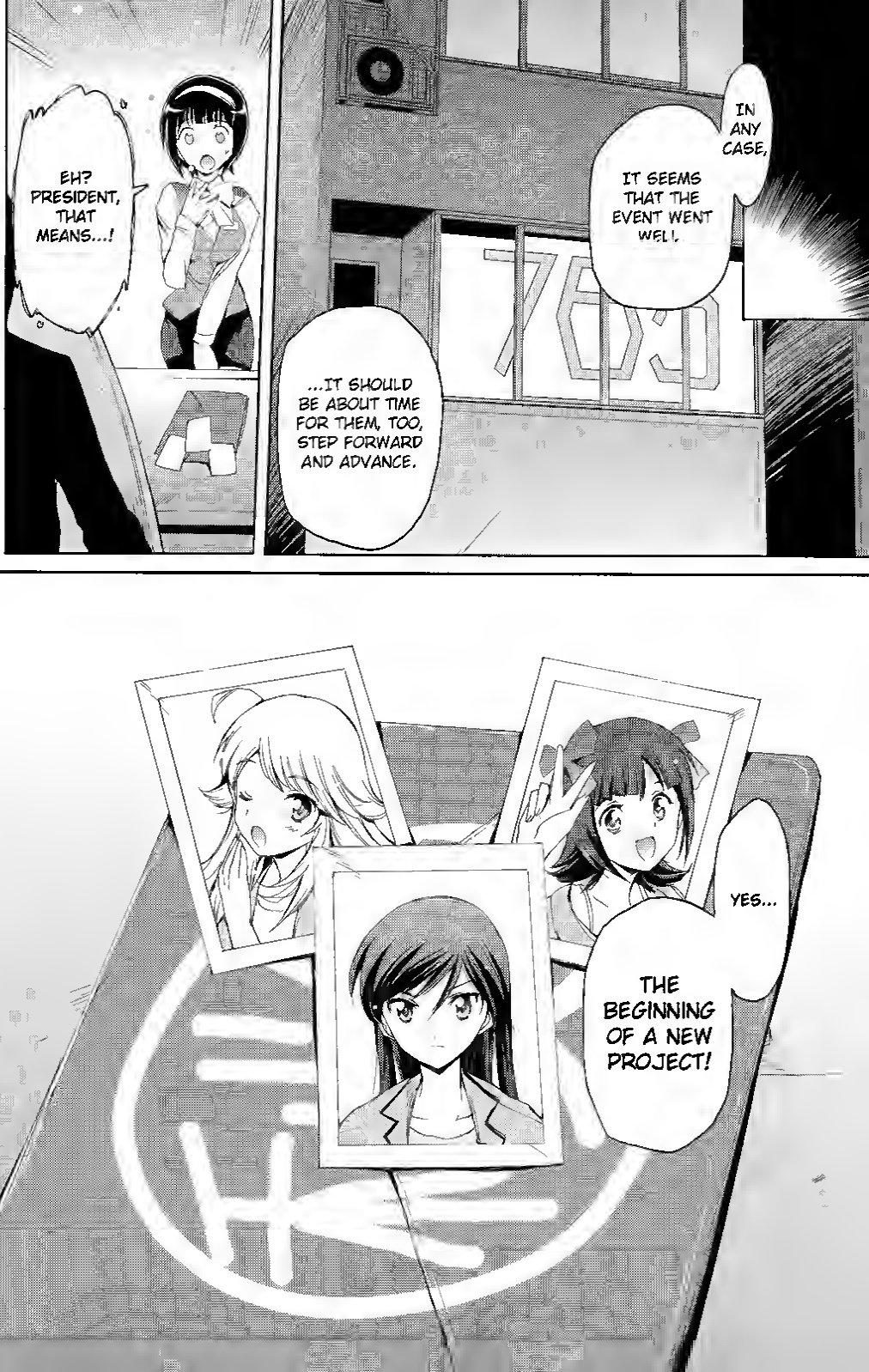
GOOD JOB!


EH? PRESIDENT, THAT MEANS...!
...IT SHOULD BE ABOUT TIME FOR THEM, TOO, STEP FORWARD AND ADVANCE.
IN ANY CASE,
IT SEEMS THAT THE EVENT WENT WELL.
YES...
THE BEGINNING OF A NEW PROJECT!